

# CBO Welcomes Its Summer Interns



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Columbia University  
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PhD, Economics

**C**BO Interns work on a wide variety of projects and assignments. From examining the origins of the United States' post-Cold War military strategy to building an econometric forecasting model of daily tax withholding to evaluating the effects of trade sanctions on U.S. agriculture, interns are an integral part of the work done at CBO. Other duties, such as producing cost estimates that identify unfunded federal mandates on state and local governments, examining the inclusion of prescription drugs in Medicare and Medicaid, and researching federal litigation outcomes, demonstrate that the jobs performed by CBO interns are timely, relevant, and vital.

## Here is what some of this summer's interns have to say about their experience at CBO:

"I examine government subsidies to higher education to determine how interest rates can be set more fairly. My work fascinates me as a student, an economics major, and a future lawyer."

— **Michael Passante,**  
**Harvard Law School**

"I'm developing a computer program to estimate the economic effects of proposals to reform the Social Security system. I'm enjoying the analytical challenge of the project and the opportunity to work with senior economists on a program of such national importance."

— **Mary Beth Muething,**  
**Brown University**

"I work on health care issues that include long-term care, recent small-group market insurance legislation, and patient confidentiality. I enjoy the fact that my educational background directly applies to the work I am doing, making CBO a perfect fit."

— **Gregory Waring,**  
**The Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton**

"I am studying the impact of taxation on capital gains realizations. With the extensive access to data and the guidance of knowledgeable staff, there is no better place to learn more about this complicated issue."

— **Jonathan Siegel,**  
**University of California, Berkeley**

"Participating in a summer internship at CBO has been a truly rewarding experience. Working closely with the National Park Service, I have been given the responsibility to work independently and make decisions regarding the direction of my research."

— **Lanette Keith,**  
**The George Washington University**



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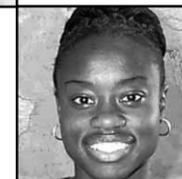
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CBO summer interns have participated in challenging assignments for over 20 years. For more information about the intern program and other exciting opportunities at CBO, visit our Web site at <http://www.cbo.gov>.